

Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Parcel A-1 Deck Marker
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The Navy is the lead agency on the cleanup at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Superfund site and the California Department of Public Health is the lead agency for radiation scanning on Parcel A at The Shipyard development. EPA, along with its state regulatory agency partners, oversees and enforces Navy compliance with the Superfund law and other requirements to ensure the cleanup process – including Parcel A scanning – protects human health and the environment.

During the Parcel A scanning process, CDPH discovered one Navy-related object, a deck marker (1.5 inches in diameter), that contains radiological material. EPA oversaw the immediate removal of the object. Due to its location and level of radiation, the object was not causing harm to residents or workers. The cleanup process for HPNS requires Navy-related radiological material be cleaned up upon discovery (as opposed to other types of radiological material, such as naturally occurring radiation in granite).

EPA is working with the Navy to determine if and how the site cleanup needs to be adjusted. EPA supports completing scanning at Parcel A on a faster timeline than originally planned and making the scanning process more thorough at the Hunters Point site.

EPA remains committed to ensuring that the Bayview-Hunters Point community is protected from exposure to radiation and that the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Superfund site can be safely used for work, recreation, and residential purposes.